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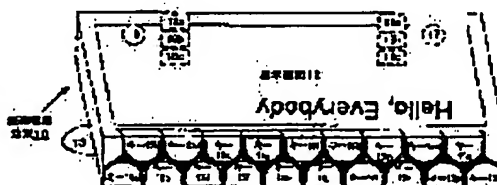
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KOMATSU HIROSUKE**(54) PORTABLE INFORMATION TERMINAL CAPABLE OF INPUTTING OPERATION WITH ONE HAND****(57)Abstract:**

**PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED:** To provide an excellent portable information terminal in a palm size which is provided with a keyboard unit.

**SOLUTION:** A portable information terminal constituted as a polyhedral structure is provided with a first constituting face on which a display screen is housed and a second constituting face formed so as to be adjacent to the first constituting face on which an input key group constituted of plural key tops arrayed so as to be staggered is disposed, and linear protrusions are formed in the outer periphery of each key top. In a working state that a display screen is viewed with the portable information terminal held in one hand, it is possible to perform a key input by using the finger tips of a hand interposing the terminal main body, and to retrieve the place of each key based on the sense of touch of the linear protrusions obtained from the tips of fingers.

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